

# News From The Capital

## First White House Auto for Mrs. Taft



WASHINGTON.—In the eyes of feminine visitors to the national capital an object of pre-eminent interest just now is the handsome new \$7,000 automobile in which Mrs. William H. Taft may be daily seen spinning about the streets of Washington. Not only is the new car the first vehicle of the kind ever maintained for a first lady of the land, but it is practically the first automobile used by a mistress of the White House, for Mrs. Roosevelt rarely entered an automobile, being in full sympathy with her husband's well-known prejudices on the subject.

The automobile which has been installed as Mrs. Taft's equipage of state is distinctly the property of the new mistress of the presidential mansion. President Taft has a steam automobile of the regulation touring car type, and another of the same description will be added later, these two machines being purchased with the recent congressional appropriation of \$12,000 and being applied to official

conveyances—that is, for the use of the president and his secretaries in the discharge of their duties.

Mrs. Taft's new \$7,000 gasoline automobile of the limousine type is the personal property of the new tenants of the White House, purchased from their private funds and designed for use on all occasions when their journeyings about Washington and in the suburbs have no official significance.

Mrs. Taft's car, like the other White House automobiles, has the right of way over all vehicles in Washington, and will not be compelled to observe any speed limit. Her car is upholstered in dark blue broadcloth and her chauffeur wears a neat and unostentatious livery of corresponding tint. On either side at the front are mirrors, which enable the chauffeur to keep constantly informed as to what vehicles are following him, and thus minimize the danger of collisions at turns.

The interior of the car is the embodiment of luxury. There is an electric dome light, supplied with current from the storage battery of sufficient capacity to keep it aglow for 24 hours. Occupants of the tonneau can communicate with the chauffeur by means of a speaking tube, or may employ an annunciator, which causes to flash up before the eyes of the car driver such signals as "start," "stop," "slow," "faster," "right," "left," "home," etc.

## Women Walking to Improve the Figure



PEDESTRIANISM has hundreds of devotees among persons of wealth and distinction in Washington society. Women, in particular, who recognize in this form of exercise an antidote for late hours and errors of diet, as well as a remedy for the elimination of that modern bugbear, superfluous flesh, are taking it up with a will.

Mrs. Knox, wife of the secretary of state, is especially fond of a brisk walk, although a splendid automobile and other conveyances are ready for her call. Mrs. George von L. Meyer, wife of the secretary of the navy, is another cabinet hostess who is frequently seen in the streets of the northwest or with her face turned toward the suburbs. Mrs. John B. Hen-

derson often walks from Boundary Castle, her home, far out in Sixteenth street to the shopping district. The Baroness Mayor des Planches, wife of the Italian ambassador, is another excellent walker.

One young woman of the navy circle has quite broken the record in regard to the length of her walks and thinks nothing of inviting her friends among the officers to take a tramp of 20 miles on pleasant days. This young woman is Miss Elsie Jarvis McLean, whose father, Capt. Walter McLean, has recently been appointed commander at the navy yard. Miss McLean has returned here after an absence of two years in the Philippines with her parents. They spent a year at Yokohama, experiencing the delights of English and American hospitality there. Later Miss McLean was presented at the British court. She is a strikingly pretty girl, with a dazzling complexion and masses of wavy brown hair, large blue eyes and an engaging vivacity of manner.

## Mrs. Taft Selects Her Social Secretary



MISS ALICE BLECH, clerk in the bureau of American republics, has been selected by Mrs. Taft as her secretary. Miss Hagner, who served Mrs. Roosevelt in a similar capacity, has been transferred to a position in the bureau of trade relations in the state department.

Miss Alice Blech, besides being a good stenographer, speaks German fluently and has also a knowledge of

French and Spanish, all of which will be extremely useful to her in the duties of her new position.

This position has come to Miss Blech through no influence, her appointment being governed entirely by her unusual capabilities to fill the position of secretary to Mrs. Taft.

During her several years' association with the bureau of American republics she has gradually risen in salary and position. The director of the bureau speaks of her in the highest terms as a clerk, laying particular stress on her fitness as a secretary. Correspondence was her chief work in her former position, and her systematic handling of letters of different natures will be beneficial to her in her new position at the White House.

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### Pampered Prisoners.

The Floyd county commissioners, it is reported, "have ordered ten dozen suits of pajamas for the county's convicts." Is there another county in Georgia or another penal institution in the United States that provides its prisoners with the fashionable "nighties?" Who wouldn't rather be a pajamaed prisoner in that Floyd county chain-gang than a no night-shirt freeman on the plains of windy Kansas?—Savannah News.

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## FREEDOM.



Son—Say, dad; when is the freedom of the city given to a man?

Father—When his wife goes to the country for the summer.

### The Vicar's Watch.

A joke unconsciously perpetrated by the vicar of St. John's, Keswick, ought to rank high in the annals of pulpit humor. Before the service started the vicar was handed a lady's watch which had been found in the churchyard. After making the customary announcements, says the North Mail, he referred to the finding of the watch, which, he stated, was in the vestry awaiting an owner, and then solemnly said: "Hymn No. 110: 'Lord, her watch thy church is keeping.'"—Christian Register.

### Playing 'Possum.

"How do you 'possum taste, suh?" asked the solicitous waiter.

"Well," responded the patron who had ordered the article, "it tastes pretty good, but it isn't 'possum."

"No, suh," rejoined the waiter; "an' dat's a sign it's genuine. De genuine 'possum is a great pretender, suh; yas, suh."—Philadelphia Ledger.

### Science and Culture.

Engineer—I've just been in steam last hour.

Lit—Good! You've needed something like that for a long time.—Wisconsin Sphinx.

We are ruined, not by what we really want, but by what we think we want; it is wise, therefore, never to go abroad in search of our wants.—Puncheon.

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